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CHARACTER

プロローグ 幼年期 人物紹介



【星野アイ】
HOSHINO AI

アイドルグループ"B小町"の絶対的センターとして活躍。

夫婦

【斉藤壱護】
SAITO ICHIGO

アイの所属する芸能事務所・苺プロダクションの社長。

所属事務所

【斉藤ミヤコ】
SAITO MIYAKO

【五反田泰志】
GOTANDA TAISHI

アイとアクアが出演した映画の監督。

双子

【星野愛久愛海】
HOSHINO AQUAMARINE

通称・アクア。

【星野瑠美衣】
HOSHINO RUBY

通称・ルビー。

転生

転生

【有馬かな】
ARIMA KANA

同映画の撮影現場で出会った10秒で泣ける天才子役。

ゴロー
GORO

地方都市で産婦人科医として勤務。元々のアイ推しだが、妊娠中の彼女をストーカーから守る犠牲となり死亡。

さりな
SARINA

ゴローが勤務していた病院の入院患者。難病により12歳で他界。双子は互いに正体に気付いていない。

患者

あらすじ

推しのアイドル・星野アイの"子"に転生し、前世の記憶を持ったまま"赤ちゃんライフ"を満喫する双子のアクアとルビー。アイは、妊娠・出産を隠して嘘を貫いたまま、芸能界のスターダムを駆け上がっていた。しかし、初のドーム公演を控えた20歳の誕生日、当日"とあるファンに殺害されてしまう…。そして、十数年の時が経ち、ルビーはアイのように"輝く"為、アクアは"復讐"の為、"芸能界"に飛び込む!!

OSHI NO KO

第六章

プライベート

人物紹介



【星野ルビー】

HOSHINO RUBY

『苺プロ』所属。
新生「B小町」メンバー。



【星野アクア】

HOSHINO AQUA

『苺プロ』所属。
姫川と異母兄弟の可能性が高い。



【有馬かな】

ARIMA KANA

『苺プロ』所属。
新生「B小町」センター。



【姫川大輝】

HIMEKAWA TAIKI

『劇団ララライ』看板役者。
アクアと異母兄弟の可能性が高い。



【MEMちょ】

MEMCHO

インフルエンサー兼
新生「B小町」メンバー。



【黒川あかね】

KUROKAWA AKANE

『劇団ララライ』エース。
アクアの"彼女"。















……第六章"プライベート"では、2.5次元舞台後の飲み会でアクアは過去に踏み込む!! DNA鑑定の結果、姫川と自身の父親が同一人物の可能性が高い事が判明しており、アクアは姫川に迫る。しかし、その父親は既に他界している事を知らされ、"復讐心"は静まってしまう…。一方、ルビーら新生「B小町」は更なる飛躍の為にMV撮影!! 舞台の慰安も兼ねてアクアらと共に向かう地は宮崎・高千穂。その地は、因縁の…。

THE STAGE PLAY OF TOKYO BLADE HAS COME TO AN END.

CHAPTER 71 ..... PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE

MY SCHEDULE IS PRACTICALLY EMPTY.

BUT...

...NOW THAT I HAVE A SUDDEN BLANK PERIOD,

I NEED TO PREPARE FOR MY FUTURE...

12 December

SUN MON TU FRI

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...I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO...

...ANY-MORE.

LOOK AT YOUR FACE. IT'S LIKE YOU'VE LOST ALL YOUR ENERGY.

WHY DON'T YOU COME WITH US TO MIYAZAKI?

MIYAZAKI? THE LOCA-TION FOR YOUR PV?

YEAH.

I'M SURE YOU HAVE TIME TO SPARE.

YOU'RE JOBLESS NOW THAT *TOKYO BLADE* IS OVER.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION, I HAVEN'T QUIT MY JOB, AND I'M A STUDENT.

IT WAS SENPAI'S IDEA. IT COULD SERVE AS A RELAXATION TRIP AFTER THE PLAY.

GLANCE GLANCE チラッ GLANCE チラッ GLANCE チラッ

MIYA-ZAKI, EH?

COME TO THINK OF IT, I HAVEN'T BEEN THERE ONCE SINCE THEN.

!

SHINE

YOU'RE RIGHT.

I'LL GO.

...

NO, I'LL JUST USE WHATEVER I CAN FIND AT THE OFFICE.

ARE YOU READY?!

DO YOU HAVE A TROLLEY CASE?

THIS TIME, WE'LL GO FOR TWO NIGHTS AND THREE DAYS. IT'S A LONG-TERM STAY!

BASICALLY, TROLLEY CASES ARE OUR PALS!

Cap
Hidden hair
Round glasses
Black mask
How most idols look after live concerts
Trolley case

ACTORS TRAVEL TO THE COUNTRY-SIDE OFTEN FOR FILM-ING!

THEY'RE ESSENTIAL FOR IDOL ACTIVITIES, TOO!

THAT WON'T DO!

I'M GOING TO SEE AKANE. I PROMISED I'D HANG OUT WITH HER TODAY.

NO, THANKS.

AND I HAPPEN TO BE FREE THIS AFTERNOON, SO I CAN HELP YOU PICK...

I'VE BEEN TO THE COUNTRY-SIDE FOR FILMING A LOT,

WELL, YOU DON'T KNOW ANYTHING, DO YOU?

TOMORROW IT IS.

YOU'RE FREE *EVERY DAY.*

TOMORROW, THEN!

IF THAT DOESN'T WORK, I'M FREE THE DAY AFTER TOMORROW, TOO!

SLAM

HE'S HANGING OUT WITH AKANE...?

IT'S JUST AN ALIBI!

THEY BECAME A COUPLE AFTER THAT DATING SHOW, REMEMBER?

I KNOW...

BUT IT'S BEEN ***A WHILE*** SINCE THAT SHOW ***ENDED***, RIGHT?

I THINK THEY'VE FULFILLED THEIR DUTIES ALREADY.

WHEN...

WILL THEY BREAK UP FOR GOOD?

CLICK

OKAY, SAY CHEESE.

HOW SHOULD I EDIT THE PHOTO NOW?

I'VE BEEN CURIOUS.

SO KIDS THESE DAYS DON'T SAY IT?

"SAY CHEESE"?

YOU SOUND LIKE AN *OLD MAN.*

IT MAKES OUR SKIN LOOK BEAUTIFUL EVEN WHEN WE DON'T GET ENOUGH SLEEP, SO IT'S OKAY, RIGHT?

I THINK GUYS WOULD FIND IT GROSS.

WHAT?! ISN'T IT CUTE?!

WHY WOULD YOU ADD DOTS TO YOUR FACE?

Jeez...!

Why did you say that?

I DON'T NEED TO KEEP AKANE NEAR ME.

NOW THAT I'VE LOST THE PURPOSE OF SEARCHING FOR MY FATHER,

I HAVE TO THINK ABOUT THE FUTURE WITH AKANE, TOO.

HOW-EVER...

BUT I DON'T NEED TO BIND HER WITH MY EGO ANY-MORE.

I COULD USE HER INTELLI-GENCE,

HOW NICE. YOU'RE GOING ON A TRIP TO MIYAZAKI, HUH?

THAT'S EXACTLY WHY.

NO.

I CAN'T HOLD HER BACK FOR-EVER...

AKANE IS YOUNG, AND SHE HAS A BRIGHT FUTURE.

Flag: Trip to Hawaii

ハワイ行き

SOUNDS LIKE SHE HAD A GOOD UPBRINGING.

BUT I TRAVEL OVERSEAS WITH MY FAMILY EVERY YEAR DURING THE YEAR-END AND NEW YEAR HOLI-DAYS.

NO, NOT DOMESTI-CALLY,

YOU DON'T TRAVEL MUCH?

AND I'VE NEVER TRAVELED WITH PEOPLE MY AGE, EITHER.

I COULDN'T GO ON SCHOOL TRIPS BECAUSE OF WORK,

I ENVY YOU.

WHAT?!

WELL, WHY DON'T YOU COME WITH US?

CAN I?!

YEAH.

IN A SENSE, THIS IS A RELAXATION TRIP AFTER *TOKYO BLADE*, ANYWAY.

BESIDES...

THERE'S SOMETHING I NEED TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT.

...

STARE

SOME-THING...?

YOU WANT TO BREAK UP WITH ME.

IT'S ABOUT TIME, HUH?

I DON'T WANT TO FEEL THIS WAY...

YOU'RE GOING TO TALK ABOUT THIS DURING OUR TRIP?

UNTIL THE DAY WE'RE LEAVING.

EVEN I COULD TELL WHAT YOU WERE GETTING AT.

YOU'RE NOT GOOD AT PHRASING THINGS.

!

LET'S DO IT NOW.

IF YOU WANT TO TALK ABOUT IT,

A LOT OF THINGS HAP-PENED,

BUT THAT SHOW WAS A LOT OF FUN.

IT'S BEEN ABOUT HALF A YEAR...

SINCE MY LOVE, HUH?

I HAD A BLAST.

IT FEELS LIKE THE SHOW IS STILL GOING ON.

WHEN I'M WITH YOU, AQUA,

I DON'T THINK...

IT'S GOOD FOR ME TO KEEP YOU TIED DOWN FOREVER, AKANE.

THIS RELATIONSHIP WAS CREATED BY THE SHOW.

IT'S NOT EVEN REAL.

YOU'RE RIGHT.

WE'RE NOT A REAL COUPLE.

...

WE...

ONLY KISSED ONCE DURING THE SHOW,

AND WE HAVEN'T HELD HANDS ONCE.

...

I KNEW YOU'D BRING THIS UP SOONER OR LATER.

OUR RELATIONSHIP IS UNNATURAL.

WAS I USEFUL SOMEHOW?

YOU DON'T NEED ME ANYMORE?

YOU ONLY KEPT ME BECAUSE YOU COULD USE ME FOR SOMETHING.

I WAS AWARE OF IT.

...

BUT...

I KNEW THAT FROM THE BEGINNING.

PART OF YOU IS SLY.

...THAT'S NOT ALL I KNOW.

...

THIS IS THE PLACE.



YOU SAVED ME HERE...

...WITHOUT ANY CALCULA-TIONS.

I KNEW THAT, TOO.

WHEN YOU KISSED ME, I DIDN'T HATE IT...

...BECAUSE I KNEW THAT YOU WERE KIND.

...I DON'T MIND KISS-ING...

OR EVEN HAVING SEX.

IF IT'S YOU...





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HEY!
STOP USING THAT EXCUSE TO DODGE THE QUESTION!
YOU WON'T UNDER-STAND EVEN IF I TELL YOU.
THAT'S...
DECEIVED ME? ABOUT WHAT?
JUST BE HONEST AND TELL ME WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND!
YOU THINK IT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE TO HAVE A RELATIONSHIP WITHOUT KISSING OR SEX, RIGHT?!
NO, I DON'T.

I...

...DON'T?

Nope.

IT FEELS LIKE YOU DO!

BUT THIS AND THAT ARE TWO DIFFERENT MATTERS.

I WONDER IF THAT'S TRUE.

...

IF MY OPTIONS ARE WHETHER OR NOT I'VE BEEN THINKING ABOUT IT, THE ANSWER IS DEFINITELY YES, I HAVE.

EVEN I HAVE LUST, YOU KNOW.

OF COURSE I DO!

WELL, WHAT ABOUT YOU? DO YOU HAVE ROMANTIC FEELINGS FOR ME?

I...

...DO?

YOU DON'T SEEM CONFIDENT AT ALL.

I'VE NEVER HAD A BOY-FRIEND, AFTER ALL!

I DON'T UNDER-STAND THAT STUFF!

SEE?

I'VE NEVER FELT THAT KIND OF FEELING FROM YOU.

YES!

REALLY?

I FEEL LIKE I'M SKIPPING THE BASICS AND JUST GOING FOR IT.

I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT KIND OF RELA-TIONSHIP WE HAVE.

THAT'S WHY...

...

I'M NOT LYING ABOUT THAT ONE.

...I WANT TO HELP YOU.

BUT...

BUT...

I'M NOT AGAINST THE IDEA OF BREAK-ING UP.

THE REASON YOU JOINED THE ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY IS BECAUSE YOU WANTED TO KILL SOMEONE.

YOU TOLD ME, DIDN'T YOU?

...I THINK YOU NEED SOMEONE...

...WHO CAN HELP YOU CARRY THAT BURDEN.

...

YOU DON'T NEED TO WORRY ABOUT IT ANYMORE.

I WAS...

...LOOKING FOR A MAN WHO DROVE MY MOTHER TO HER DEATH,

AND THAT MAN WAS MY FATHER.

A HUN-DRED ...?

I DID SOME DNA TESTS ON NEARLY A HUNDRED PEOPLE SO FAR.

INDISCRIMI-NATELY.

HE WAS PROBABLY PART OF THE ENTERTAIN-MENT INDUSTRY.

THAT'S WHY I BECAME AN ACTOR. SO I COULD LOOK FOR HIM.

THOSE WERE EXPENSIVE, RIGHT?

I THINK I SPENT ABOUT FIVE MILLION*.

I USED THE MONEY I GOT FROM WORKING PART-TIME FOR THE DIRECTOR AND MY INCOME FROM THE SHOWS, BUT THOSE STILL WEREN'T ENOUGH...

*About 50,000 USD.

...

IT MUST HAVE BEEN TOUGH.

WHOA.

...SO I SECRETLY WORKED ONLINE.

AS A RESULT,

I FOUND MY HALF-BROTHER.

MY FATHER WAS MARRIED TO ANOTHER WOMAN...

...BUT HE HAD AN AFFAIR WITH MY MOM.

HOWEVER, HE'S NO LONGER HERE.

HE COMMITED A FORCED LOVERS' SUICIDE.

...HAD DIED A LONG TIME AGO. WHAT A BORING ENDING.

THE JERK I WAS LOOK-ING FOR...

BUT...

...DEEP DOWN, I ALSO FEEL RELIEVED.

I'M FINALLY FREE.

WITH THIS,

I CAN LIVE MY OWN LIFE,

I'VE FINALLY FOUND...

FALL IN LOVE,

AND DEVOTE MYSELF TO ACTING.

...FREE-
DOM.

WHAT'S
WRONG?

I'LL JUST GO HOME NOW. SORRY.

I'M NOT FEELING WELL...

THIS TOPIC WAS QUITE HEAVY.

NOTH-ING... I'M SORRY.

JERK.

FORCED SUI-CIDE,

MAR-RIAGE,

HALF-BROTH-ER,

DNA,

AQUA-KUN WANTED ALL OF THIS TO END

SOME-WHERE IN HIS HEART.

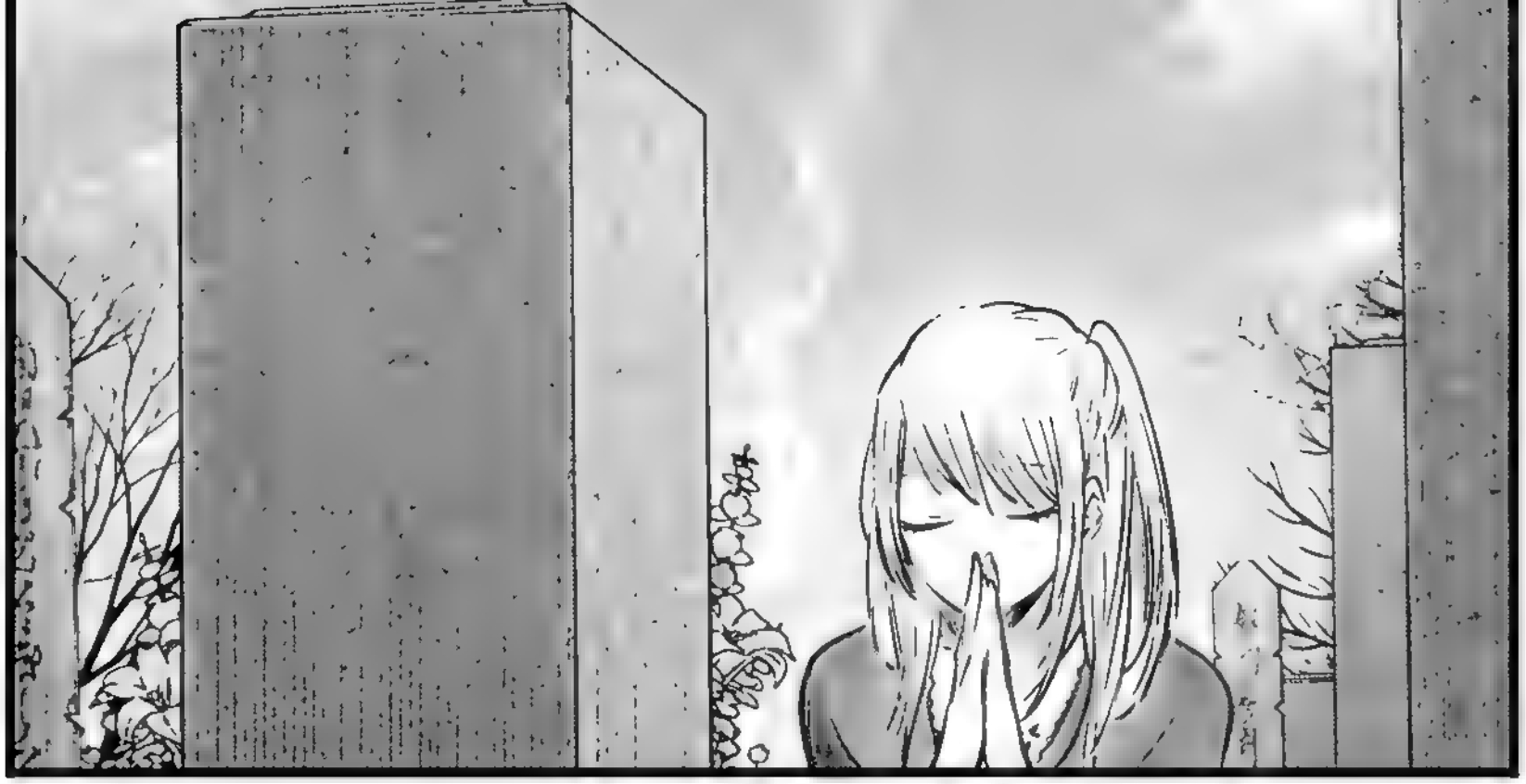
...HE DIDN'T NOTICE SUCH A SIMPLE LOOPHOLE.

THAT'S WHY...

WHAT SHOULD I DO?

HE'D LIVE ONLY FOR REVENGE AGAIN.

BUT, IF HE NOTICED,




SO, WE'RE GOING TO MIYAZAKI FOR FILMING.
HOW NOSTALGIC, RIGHT?
WE'VE BEEN LIVING IN TOKYO EVER SINCE WE WERE BORN, AFTER ALL.

Hoshino Family
星野家
ALSO,
AQUA HAS BECOME A LITTLE MORE CHEERFUL LATELY.
IT'S LIKE HE'S NO LONGER OBSESSED.

I'M SURE...

BUT IT DOESN'T MEAN THAT HE'S FORGOTTEN ABOUT YOU, MAMA.

HE'S FINALLY REGAINED HIS FOOTING,

CAW CAW

Grave: Hoshino Family Tomb

I'LL COME AGAIN.



RUBY...

...HOSHI-NO.

SHE GREW UP TO BE A BEAUTI-FUL WOMAN.

Hoshino Family

星野家

WELL, I'M NOT SURPRISED.

SHE'S OUR DAUGHTER, AFTER ALL.

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WHICH ONE...?

Aqua

Let's meet at the Shinjuku East Exit at 4 p.m.

Okay

Kana

READ

OK

CHAPTER 73
SMART

WHICH ONE OF THESE WOULD HE LIKE...?

Cute or Sexy

BUT IF I WANT TO MAKE THE BEST USE OF MY LOOKS, I SHOULD GO WITH THE LOLI AND GIRLY STYLE.

PUT A HAT ON FOR A PERFECT AIRPORT FASHION STYLE.

WHAT ABOUT PLAIN CLOTHES FOR IDOLS? THE COMBINATION OF SPORTSWEAR AND DAD SNEAKERS.

SHOULD I GO WITH THIS ELEGANT LIGHT DRESS THAT HIGHLIGHTS MY FIGURE AND MAKES ME LOOK POLISHED?

IT DOESN'T MAKE ME LOOK LIKE I DRESS TO THE NINES, BUT I STILL LOOK COOL IN IT, SO IT'S BALANCED.

IT'S A PERFECT DRESS FOR A MATURE, CLASSIC DATE, BUT I DON'T WANT HIM TO THINK THAT I PUT TOO MUCH EFFORT INTO THIS.

BUT...NO MATTER HOW MUCH I LIKE IT, THE FRILL IS WAY TOO GIRLY, ISN'T IT?

I THOUGHT ***TWO HOURS*** WERE ALL I NEEDED TO GET READY!

I GOT TOO CARRIED AWAY, IT'S ALMOST TIME TO MEET UP!

AAH!

AW, JEEZ! WHAT SHOULD I DO NOW?

HUH? WHERE'S MY PHONE?!

AND MY WALLET!

I HAVE TO CALL A TAXI!

"WHY CAN'T CELEBRITIES BE ON-TIME?"

AAH, I'M SUPER LATE!

I'M SURE HE'S GOING TO SAY SOMETHING SARCASTIC LIKE...

STAR BOOKS COFFEE

LINE
Aqua
I'm waiting in the cafe.

DING♪

I'M SORRY I'M LATE...!

THE *TRAFFIC* WAS CRAZY...

Out-right lie

HERE.

I SEE.

I'VE BEEN READING, SO IT'S FINE.

SLAM

PHEW

I ORDERED US SOME HOT LATTES.

IT'S COLD OUTSIDE, RIGHT?

WHOA...

IT'S SO WARM.

WELL, IT'S WINTER ALREADY.

SO? WHERE DO THEY SELL TROLLEY CASES?

THEY SHOULD SELL THEM AT A DEPARTMENT STORE.

I'M SORRY!

I'LL BUY THIS FOR YOU!

IT'S A MAN'S JOB TO PAY THE BILL AT TIMES LIKE THIS, RIGHT?

WHAT? BUT...

I'LL PAY.

BESIDES, IT'S ALL ABOUT GENDER EQUALITY THESE DAYS.

I'M THE ONE WHO'S LATE.

WELL, STILL...

SST

I'LL PAY WITH SUIKA.

UM...

*About 14 USD

YOUR TOTAL IS 1,432 YEN.*

BEEP

LET'S GO.

WAIT A SEC!

W—

I WAS GOING TO PAY FOR THE DRINKS,

BUT HE BEAT ME TO IT!

SO YOU'VE GOT TRICKS UP YOUR SLEEVE, HUH?

WHAT?



WHY DON'T YOU CHOOSE YOUR FAVOR-ITE COLOR FROM THIS AREA?

HMM...

WELL, THE BIGGER IT IS, THE BETTER.

WHICH CASE DO YOU REC-OMMEND?

I'LL GO WITH WHITE, THEN.

NICE.

WHITE...?

IT'S THE COLOR OF MY GLOW STICK!!

I WANT TO ASK HIM WHY HE CHOSE *THAT* COLOR!!

I KNOW I'M BEING SELF-CONSCIOUS HERE,

BUT *WHAT IF...?*

GIVE ME YOUR BAG.

I'LL PUT IT ON MY TROLLEY CASE.

OH, SHUDDUP.

BAGS ARE A PART OF FASHION, YOU KNOW?

YOU CAN'T JUST TAKE IT FROM A GIRL!

Y—

YOU DON'T GET IT!

BUT...

HE DOESN'T GET IT...

BA-DMP

BA-DMP

WELL, WE'RE DONE WITH ERRANDS. SHOULD WE SPLIT UP HERE?

WHAT?!

IT'S 7 P.M. ALREADY...

I'M A LITTLE HUNGRY...

I SEE.

GLANCE チラ？…

GLANCE チラ？

DO YOU WANNA EAT MEAT?

SUYA

I LOVE MEAT!

I DON'T THINK WE CAN GET SEATS WITHOUT RESERVATIONS.

THIS PLACE IS ALWAYS CROWDED...

RIGHT.

PARPANIA

GHUKKABALUO

I MADE A RESERVATION UNDER HOSHINO.

YES, A TABLE FOR TWO, RIGHT? WE'VE BEEN EXPECTING YOU.

HE DID MAKE A RESER-VATION!!

WELL, WE'RE DONE WITH ERRANDS. SHOULD WE SPLIT UP HERE?

WHAT IF I TOLD HIM THAT I WAS GOING HOME? WHAT WAS HE GONNA DO THEN?!

WHAT WAS THAT ABOUT, THEN?!

HE MADE A RESERVATION, FOR PETE'S SAKE!!

YOU KNOW HOW TO TREAT GIRLS LIKE THE BACK OF YOUR HAND!

WHY ARE YOU AN ***EXPERT*** AT THIS?!

BY CHOOSING THE ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT BRAZILIAN BBQ RESTAURANT, HE DIDN'T NEED TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT HOW HUNGRY I WAS!

ON TOP OF THAT, HIS PLAN WAS PERFECT!



Former doctor in his 30s

EVERYTHING YOU'VE DONE REMINDS ME OF RICH BUSINESS-MEN IN THEIR 30S!

YOU THINK?

BUT STILL, THIS ISN'T SOMETHING THAT A HIGH-SCHOOLER WOULD DO...

WELL, I WAS BORN AND BROUGHT UP BY THE PRESIDENT OF AN ENTERTAINMENT AGENCY.

YOU'RE BETTER AT BEING AN ESCORT THAN I THOUGHT...

WELL, NOT FOR THE LAST DECADE OR SO...

NO.

HAVE YOU BEEN DOING THIS TO *WIN GIRLS OVER?*

MUNCH MUNCH

STILL...

BUT THEY ONLY LEARN TO DO THIS ONCE THEY START EARNING THEIR OWN MONEY.

I GUESS THE REASON IS BECAUSE THEY'RE USED TO THIS KIND OF DATE.

THERE ARE MANY COUPLES WITH HUGE AGE GAPS IN THE ENTERTAINMENT WORLD, RIGHT?

IF YOU MAKE A PLAN BECAUSE YOU WANT TO MAKE YOUR PARTNER HAPPY,

IT'LL NATURALLY BE LIKE THIS, RIGHT?

HE WAS TRYING...

...TO MAKE ME HAPPY.

SAYING THINGS LIKE THAT...

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO WITH AKANE...?

...

WE TALKED ABOUT IT THE OTHER DAY,

BUT WE GOT INTERRUPTED.

WE'LL PROBABLY GET AN ANSWER...

...THE NEXT TIME WE MEET.

I SEE.

...ALWAYS THOUGHT THAT I SHOULD NEVER FALL IN LOVE.

I...

EVEN THOUGH IT'S A LITTLE TOO LATE.

SO I'LL THINK ABOUT IT CAREFUL-LY...

I THOUGHT IT WAS OKAY NOW,

BUT...

YOU DON'T HEAR IDOLS SAYING THAT EVERY DAY.

I THINK IT'S FINE.

THE FREEDOM OF LOVE IS A BASIC HUMAN RIGHT, AFTER ALL.

WHERE?!

WELL, I CALLED FOR A TAXI ALREADY.

LET'S GO.

LIKE A HOTEL WITH THAT CANOPY BED IN KABU-KICHO...?!

JUDGING FROM THE MOOD, I'M SURE HE'S GOING TO TAKE ME SOME-WHERE!

HUH?!

KANA ARIMA WAS SENT HOME SAFELY.

NOTHING HAP-PENED AFTER THIS.

WHAT SHOULD I DO...?!

VROOM

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Thank you for your patience.
The password is bkomachi.

CHAPTER 44
TAKACHIHO

『POP IN 2』

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IT'S JUST A DEMO, BUT IT'S GOOD ENOUGH TO SELL!

HIMURA-SAN'S SONG IS SO GOOD!

WHOA!

YOUR TONGUE IS STILL AS SHARP AS EVER.

I FEEL SORRY FOR THIS SONG. YOU'RE GOING TO ***RUIN*** IT WITH YOUR SINGING ***VOICE***.

HAAH...

DON'T YOU FEEL SAD SAYING THAT?

DOING THAT CAN MAKE EVEN A TONE DEAF SINGER SOUND HALF DECENT.

DON'T WORRY.

WE CAN ALWAYS ***EDIT*** OUR VOICE WITH CUBASE OR PRO TOOLS.

YUP, YUP.

HMM. YOUR NEW SONG IS DONE, EH?

I JUST NEED TO THINK ABOUT HOW TO MARKET IT WITH MY SKILLS.

IT'S THE FIRST ORIGINAL SONG OF THE NEW B-KOMACHI,

AND IT'S SO GOOD.

WE TALKED ABOUT STAR T BEING THE ONLY MUSIC VIDEO TO SHOOT THIS TIME, BUT...

WELL, THEN.

OH, IT'S THAT GOOD?

アネモネ

Screen: Anemone

Instagrammer and video creator, Anemone Monemone

...DO YOU WANT ME TO SHOOT THAT SONG, TOO?

I'VE EDITED VIDEOS AND DELIVERED THEM WITHIN A DAY OF SHOOTING IN THE PAST.

WELL, WE'LL SHOOT STAR T AT THE STUDIO, SO WE CAN FINISH THAT IN ONE DAY.

MAKING STORYBOARDS FOR THE VIDEO AND PREPARING THE SHOOTING LOCATIONS CAN'T BE THAT EASY, YOU KNOW?!

WHAT?!

SCHEDULE WISE, IT'S IMPOSSIBLE, ISN'T IT?

I OFTEN GET IDEAS OF WHAT KIND OF VIDEOS I WANT TO SHOOT.

WHEN I TAKE A WALK ALONG THE RIVER OR HIGHLANDS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD,

AS FOR THE STORYBOARDS,

THE POINT IS, WE WON'T NEED A LOT OF PREPARATIONS IF YOU'RE WILLING TO SHOOT THE VIDEO MY WAY.

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

A VIDEO YOU WANT TO SHOOT, EH?

WELL, I CAN TRUST YOU A LITTLE.

MEM

WHAT A BLESSING TO HAVE A GOOD CREATOR AS A FRIEND!

I'LL TALK TO THE PRESIDENT ABOUT IT!

OKAY!

AND SO...

Japan International Airport

THANKS FOR LET-TING ME COME ALONG.

...

AW, JEEZ! I DID SAY THAT, BUT...

YOU SAID THIS WAS A RELAXATION TRIP, SO...

WHY IS THERE AN OUTSIDER HERE?

YOU'RE SO BEAUTI-FUL! AND CUTE!

I WATCHED YOUR SHOW, MY LOVE!

WHOA! AKANE KUROKAWA-CHAN IN THE FLESH!

TEE HEE HEE!

YOU'RE WAAAY CUTER THAN ME, RUBY-SAN.

OH, NO.

ANYWAY, LET ME INTRODUCE MYSELF PROPERLY. I'M AQUA'S TWIN SISTER, RUBY.

NICE TO MEET YOU!

LIKEWISE!

WHY WOULD A GIRL THIS PRETTY GO OUT WITH MY BROTHER...?

DOES HE KNOW YOUR ***WEAKNESS*** OR SOMETHING?

WHAT KIND OF PERSON DO YOU THINK I AM?

MY BROTHER MAY BE INCOMPETENT, BUT PLEASE LOOK AFTER HIM FOREVER.

NO, NOT FOREVER!

ALSO...

WHAAAT?!

CAN I...

CALL YOU *SIS*?

I'VE ALWAYS WANTED AN OLDER SISTER!

YOU'RE GOING TO BE MY SISTER *SOONER OR LATER*, ANYWAY!

WHEN YOU *MARRY* MY BROTHER!

NO, THAT'S ...!

UUUH.

WHY HAS EVERYTHING TURNED OUT THIS WAY?

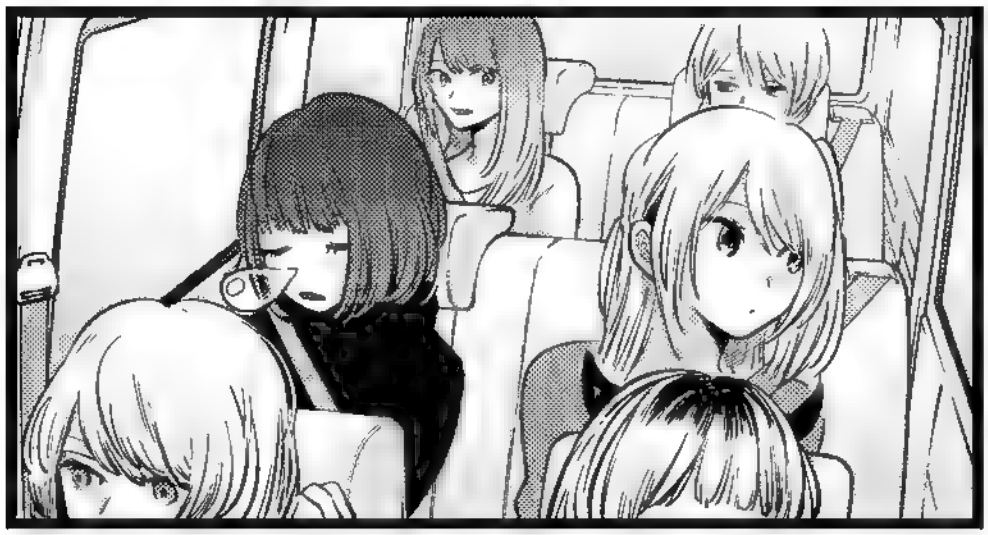
I WAS LOOKING FORWARD TO THIS TRIP, AND YET...

WHICH ONE OF THEM SHOULD I BE ROOTING FOR?

RUMBLE

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Sign: Rental Car









Sign: Welcome to Takachiho, a town of myths, valleys, and peace

WHAT KIND OF FATE IS THIS?

TO THINK THAT I'D COME BACK HERE.

I'M THE VIDEO DIRECTOR, ANEMONE.

WELCOME TO TAKACHIHO!

ANEMONE!

MEM-CHO, LONG TIME NO SEE!

THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO COME TO THE COUNTRYSIDE EVEN THOUGH YOU'RE VERY BUSY!

DON'T MEN-TION IT.

Sign: Village of the gods, Yoitomo



THE TOWN-SCAPE IS INTEREST-ING, ISN'T IT?

WHY DID YOU SET UP YOUR COM-PANY HERE?

HMM,

THAT'S BECAUSE WE'RE ORIGINALLY A COMPANY THAT FOCUSED ON USING COMPUTER GRAPH-ICS AND SPECIAL EFFECTS,

BUT MY MAIN REASON IS BECAUSE I LIKE NATURE.

DID YOU KNOW THAT TAKACHIHO OF MIYAZAKI PREFEC-TURE...

...IS ALSO FAMOUS FOR WORSHIPING THE GODDESS OF ARTS?

THE AIR IS GOOD,

AND WE'RE SUR-ROUNDED BY MOUN-TAINS.

IT'S LIKE A SPIRITUAL HOT SPOT WITH MANY LARGE SHRINES.

SHE APPEARS IN JAPANESE MYTHOLOGY...

WHAT WAS SHE CALLED AGAIN?

A GODDESS WORSHIPED AT ARATATE SHRINE.

AMENOUZUME NO MIKOTO.

I KNOW IT...

...VERY WELL.

OH! YOU KNOW ABOUT IT?

YEAH...

SHE'S A GODDESS OF SONGS AND PERFORMING ARTS.

ENTERTAINERS FROM TOKYO OFTEN COME HERE TO WORSHIP HER.

SHE ALSO BRINGS LUCK, SO YOU DON'T NEED TO WORRY ABOUT BUSINESS NEGOTIATIONS.

WHAT? LET'S GO WORSHIP HER, THEN!

I'VE HEARD THE STORY, BUT I'VE NEVER ACTUALLY BEEN THERE BEFORE!

YEAH, YEAH.

BE SURE TO DO THAT,

BUT FIRST...

YOU'D BETTER CHANGE YOUR CLOTHES NOW AND HEAD OVER TO MY STUDIO!

AND OUR SCHEDULE IS TIGHT!

...WE HAVE *TWO* MUSIC VIDEOS TO SHOOT, DON'T WE?

GOOD LUCK, GIRLS.

UGH...

WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO NOW?

THEY'RE IN A HURRY, AREN'T THEY?

HA HA HA.

THE CAVE OF THE SUN GOD FROM JAPANESE MYTHOLOGY IS NEARBY.

WHEN AMATERASU SHUT HERSELF IN,

THE OTHER GODS GATHERED AROUND AND THREW A PARTY TO BRING HER OUT!

Book: Miyazaki

GODS,

HUH?

DO YOU LIKE THE OCCULT, AQUA-KUN?

I DON'T KNOW IF I'D SAY "LIKE"...

...BUT I THINK THERE'S SOME TRUTH TO IT.

YUP, YUP!

THESE STORIES ARE INTERESTING, AREN'T THEY?

SURE, WE CAN GO THERE. I DON'T MIND.

THERE'S A PLACE I WANT TO GO TO.

IN THAT CASE, THIS PLACE IS THE PERFECT SPOT FOR YOU!

IT'S A *TOWN OF MYTHS*, AFTER ALL.

WHERE TO?

THE HOSPI-TAL.

HUH?

IS SOME-THING WRONG?

DID YOU GET A STOM-ACH-ACHE?

I BROUGHT SOME MEDI-CINE.

THAT'S NOT IT.

THE HOSPITAL WHERE RUBY AND I WERE BORN...

...IS RIGHT OVER THERE.

AND...

...IT'S ALSO THE PLACE WHERE I DIED IN MY PREVI-OUS LIFE.



【推しの子】

【推しの子】 AKA AKASAKA × MENGO YOKOYARI

CHAPTER 75
MOTHER AND MOTHER

THE HOSPITAL WHERE YOU AND RUBY WERE BORN...?

OH!

DO YOUR GRANDPARENTS LIVE AROUND HERE?

DID YOUR MOTHER GIVE BIRTH TO YOU WHILE VISITING HER PARENTS?

WELL, THAT'S ABOUT RIGHT.

SO THIS TIME, YOU ORGANIZED THE FILMING AS A HOMECOMING TRIP?

NO, IT'S JUST A COINCIDENCE.

MEM DOESN'T EVEN KNOW THAT THIS PLACE IS OUR HOMETOWN.

WHAT? THAT'S AMAZING!

THINGS LIKE THIS DON'T HAPPEN EVERY DAY.

I WAS SURPRISED, TOO.

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OH!

AQUA-KUN, DO YOU HAVE A MOPED LICENSE?

YEAH, WHY?

NOT HAVING A CAR AT A TIME LIKE THIS IS INCONVE-NIENT.

YEAH, BUT ONLY TO PLACES THAT ARE WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE.

YOU MUST WANT TO LOOK AROUND, THEN.

EARLIER, THE STAFF SAID...

ゴゴ RUMBLE

ゴゴ RUMBLE

ゴゴ RUMBLE

ゴゴ RUMBLE

I'M RELIEVED TO SEE SOMETHING MODERN LIKE THIS IN THE COUNTRYSIDE.

YEAH, I GET IT.

YOU CAN FEEL THE LIGHT OF CIVILIZATION FROM CONVENIENCE STORES AND THE LIKE, TOO.

ゴゴゴ RUMBLE

ゴゴゴ RUMBLE

ゴゴゴ RUMBLE

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO AT THE HOSPITAL?

THERE'S SOMETHING I WANT TO CONFIRM, THAT'S ALL.

I'LL BE QUICK.

THERE WAS A DOCTOR NAMED GORO AMAMIYA IN THIS HOSPITAL...

IT'S BEEN 15 YEARS SINCE THEN.

THE STAFF HAVE BEEN REPLACED,

AND UNFORTUNATELY, NONE OF MY CLOSE COLLEAGUES WERE THERE THAT DAY,

?

THEY SUDDENLY LOST CONTACT WITH AMAMIYA-SAN,

SO THEY TOOK IT AS RESIGNA-TION.

BUT STILL...

I KNEW SOMEONE WHO WORKED HERE.

WHAT DID YOU WANT TO CON-FIRM?

...

ARE YOU

..AI HOSHINO'S DOCTOR?

HUH? WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

I'M LOOKING FOR SOMETHING.

JUST WAIT FOR ME INSIDE.

NO, I'LL GO WITH YOU.

YOU WERE NAUGHTY WHEN YOU WERE LITTLE, HUH?

PLAYING IN THE FIELD AND RUNNING AROUND THE MOUNTAINS IS ONE THING,

BUT THIS IS AN ANIMAL TRAIL...

DO YOU THINK WE CAN FIND THE CORPSE OF A DEAD PET...

THAT GOT LOST HERE ABOUT 15 YEARS AGO?

IT SHOULD BE AROUND HERE.

AKANE,

HYPOTHET-ICALLY SPEAKING,

HMM...

IF YOU BURIED IT, YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO FIND ITS BONES,

BUT IF IT WAS LEFT IN THE WILD, IT MIGHT'VE BEEN DEVOURED BY WILD ANIMALS AND SCATTERED, SO IT MIGHT BE TOUGH.

OF COURSE.

AQUA-KUN WENT THIS FAR TO FIND HIS OLD PET DOG?

HOW CUTE.

IF IT WAS BURIED, THEN THIS CASE IS CLOSED.

I HAVE NO REASON TO KEEP SEARCHING FOR IT,

AND NOTHING GOOD CAN COME OUT OF EXHUMING A DEAD MAN'S GRAVE, EITHER.

THE NEXT PLACE I WANT TO SEE IS...

I'M THE ONE WHO SAID THAT I'D GO WHEREVER YOU WENT.

I'M FOLLOWING YOU ON MY OWN.

DON'T BE.

I'M SORRY FOR TAKING YOU TO SOME RANDOM PLACES WITH ME.

WHAT IS THIS PLACE?

CLUNK

THIS IS THE LAST ONE.

WELL, I SAID THAT, BUT REALLY ALL OF THE INHABITANTS HAVE PASSED, SO NOBODY REALLY LIVES HERE ANYMORE.

IT'S AN ACQUAIN-TANCE'S HOUSE.

WHAT KIND OF PERSON WAS HE?

HE MUST'VE BEEN IMPORT-ANT TO YOU, HUH? YOU WENT ALL THE WAY HERE FOR HIM, AFTER ALL.

Sign: Amamiya

...

GORO AMAMIYA...

...NEVER HAD...

...A MOTHER.

HIS MOTHER HID THE FACT THAT SHE WAS PREGNANT FROM HER PARENTS,

SO SHE GAVE BIRTH ON HER OWN AT HOME, BUT SHE BLED TOO MUCH.

BY THE TIME THE AMBULANCE ARRIVED, SHE HAD ALREADY...

OBSTETRIC HEMOR-RHAGE.

HE DIDN'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT HIS FATHER, SO HE WAS ENTRUSTED TO HIS GRAND-PARENTS.

HIS RELATION-SHIP WITH HIS GRANDMOTHER WASN'T BAD,

BUT WITH HIS GRANDFATHER, IT WAS A LITTLE...

FOR THE MOST PART, HE FELT AWKWARD.

YOU'RE GOING TO BE AN OB-STETRICIAN!

EVEN WHEN HE DECIDED TO GO TO MEDICAL SCHOOL...

FOR BEING BORN AT THE EXPENSE OF HIS MOTHER.

IN THE END, HE COULDN'T STOP FEELING GUILTY...

I ALWAYS KNEW YOU WERE A GOOD CHILD!

BECAUSE OF WHAT HAPPENED WITH YOUR MOTHER...

THE DOCTOR THAT APPEARED IN HIS FAVORITE NOVEL WAS COOL,

SO HE LOOKED UP TO HIM.

THE TRUTH IS, HE WANTED TO BE A SURGEON.

IN THE END, HIS BEST TRAIT WAS THAT HE ALWAYS FOLLOWED OTHER PEOPLE'S WISHES.

WHY IS THIS HAPPENING?!

EVEN AFTER HE BECAME A DOCTOR,

HE WAS STILL HELPLESS.

BOTH OF THEM ARE WORKING IN THE INNER-CITY AREA, SO THEY CAN'T COME RIGHT AWAY...

ARE THEY REALLY HER PARENTS?!

...EVEN WHEN SHE'S AT THE BRINK OF DEATH?!

WHY WON'T SARINA'S PARENTS SHOW UP...

A MOTHER SHOULD—

SARINA-CHAN HOLDS YOU DEAR.

THAT'S AN ILLUSION.

SUCH PARENTS EXIST, YOU KNOW?

THEY'RE A LOT MORE COMMON THAN YOU'D THINK.

YOU SHOULD BE...

...BY HER SIDE WHEN THE TIME COMES.

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Sign: Sarina Tendouji

SENSEI...

THIS IS...

...FOR YOU.

I WENT TO B-KOMA-CHI'S CONCERT ONCE...

...WHEN I WAS STILL HEALTHY.

THAT'S THE PRIZE I GOT FROM A CAPSULE TOY.

アイ無限恒久
永遠推し!!!

Keychain: Ai will forever be my idol!!!

PLEASE TAKE GOOD CARE OF IT, JUST AS IF IT WERE ME.

GOT IT.

I WILL.

FOREVER...!

TEE HEE.

SENSEI,

I LOVE YOU...

IF...

I WAS EVER REBORN...

I'M SURE...

...

GOD IS SURELY KIND, ISN'T HE?

...AND A MOTHER WHO GAVE BIRTH TO SOULLESS CHILDREN...

HE BROUGHT TWO PEOPLE WHO NEVER HAD A MOTHER IN A REAL SENSE...

...TOGETHER.

PERHAPS...

...THERE'S MORE TO THAT THAN MEETS THE EYE.

【推しの子】 AKA AKASAKA x MENGO YOKOYARI

REC

YOU'RE GOING TO FILM ME WHILE DOING THIS, TOO...?

WHAT...?

CHAPTER 76
MUSIC VIDEO

BUT THEY ALSO USE CUTS THAT SHOWCASE EACH GIRL'S CUTENESS EVERY NOW AND THEN.

THE GOAL IS TO FILL IN THE DURATION WITH THE DANCE SCENE,

Switch

Dance part
ダンスパート

Drama part
ドラマパート

THEY OFTEN SHOOT THE DANCE AND DRAMA PARTS OF IDOL MUSIC VIDEOS SEPARATELY, RIGHT?

THINK OF THIS CAMERA AS YOUR *CRUSH* AND TURN AROUND.

IT'S YOUR TURN, KANA-CHAN.

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REC

OH,

NICE EXPRESSION.

...

!!

YOU DO HAVE A CRUSH, HUH?

BUT IT'S NOT UNTIL THEY'RE ON THE SET THAT THEY'LL DECIDE WHAT TO SHOOT.

FOR MUSIC VIDEOS, THEY OFTEN MAKE A CONCEPT AND ROUGH PLOT FIRST,

...

WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT HIM?

GRIN

GRIN

WHAT KIND OF PERSON IS HE?

OH.

IN ORDER TO BRING OUT THE CUTENESS OF THEIR SUBJECT.

GRAVURE PHOTOGRAPHERS NEED TO BE RESOURCEFUL...

WHOA!

THEY HAVE A LOT OF STAFF HERE.

IF YOU INCLUDE THE PRODUCTION MANAGERS AND DIRECTORS, YOU'LL GET ABOUT 10-20 PEOPLE IN TOTAL.

AND A BIG NUMBER OF MAKEUP ARTISTS AND WARDROBE STYLISTS.

THEY HAVE THREE LIGHTING TECHNICIANS,

THE CAMERAMAN HAS ABOUT TWO ASSISTANTS.

SIGH

EEK!

OVERALL, I THINK THE WHOLE PRODUCTION COSTS OVER *FIVE MILLION* YEN.*

*About 50,000 USD.

I LOVE YOU, MIYAKO-SAN!

YOU'D BETTER THANK THE PRESIDENT FOR SPENDING THAT MUCH ON A GROUP THAT DOESN'T EVEN MAKE HER A PROFIT.

THE AGENCIES ARE WILLING TO SPEND MONEY ON THEM.

IN THE END, EVEN THOUGH THEY EXPLOIT THE IDOLS,

OF COURSE...

BUT WELL, I HEAR THAT SOME UNDERGROUND IDOLS ONLY SPEND ABOUT *500,000** TO MAKE THEIR VIDEOS.

*About 5,000 USD.

HEY.

WELCOME BACK, AQU-TAN.

IS THE FILMING GOING WELL?

RUBY AND KANA-CHAN HAVE MOSTLY FINISHED THEIR DRAMA PARTS, SO WE'RE GOING TO SHOOT THE DANCE PART NOW.

HMM?

WHAT ABOUT YOU, MEM?

I'LL DO IT LATER.

WHY?

HA HA HA!

I'M SORRY FOR ASKING.

BUT I'M NOT A MINOR, SO I CAN FILM MY PART ALL NIGHT!

あHA はHA はHA はHA はHA

BECAUSE MINORS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO WORK AFTER 10 P.M.,

はHA はHA

*A traditional New Year's Eve music show

BUT STILL, THERE ARE TIMES WHEN MINORS CAN'T APPEAR ON LIVE BROADCASTS LIKE KŌHAKU UTA GASSEN*.

BY THE WAY, CHILD ACTORS UNDER THE AGE OF 13 CAN WORK UNTIL 9 P.M. WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE AUTHORITIES.

WE TALKED IT OUT AND PICKED THE DESIGN TOGETHER.

OH!

THIS COSTUME IS NICE, RIGHT?

...

?

TAP

RUBY SEEMS TO LIKE IT BECAUSE IT GIVES YOU THAT IDOL VIBE...

IT'S NOT GOOD AT ALL.

I HOPE THEY WON'T START A FIGHT HERE.

AKANE WAS NOT REALLY INTO ARIMA BEING AN IDOL.

OH, YEAH.

WHAT IS IT...?

COME HERE FOR A SEC.

YOU MAY WANT TO PUT ON AIRS AND MAKE YOUR WAIST LOOK THINNER, BUT IF THE BELT IS TOO TIGHT, IT'LL GET WRINKLED.

THIS PART IS GETTING DUSTY, TOO, SO DON'T WALK AROUND TOO MUCH. YOU'LL CAUSE TROUBLE FOR THE WARDROBE STYLISTS.

WHY ARE YOU WEARING YOUR RIBBON SLOPPILY?

IS THIS GOOD NOW...?

NOTHING IS MORE TROUBLESOME THAN BEING A FORMER FAN SLASH HATER, RIGHT?

KANA-CHAN!

KANA-CHAN!

NOT REALLY,

BUT I'LL GIVE YOU A *PASSING MARK.*

...

DO YOU THINK I'M CUTE?

WHAT ABOUT YOU, AQUA?

WELL, YOU GET A PASSING MARK.

JUST BE HONEST AND PRAISE ME, YOU GUYS!!

...

KANA-CHAN...

...IS TRULY AN IDOL, HUH?

YEAH, WELL.

I UNDERSTAND WHY HER ACTING HAS IMPROVED NOW.

THAT'S BECAUSE SHE KEEPS SHOUTING,

"LOOK AT ME!"

WHEN SOMEONE IS SHOUTING,

YOU'LL LOOK AT THEM SPONTANEOUSLY, RIGHT?

I'M NOT FAMILIAR WITH IDOLS, SO I DON'T KNOW,

BUT DO YOU THINK KANA WILL SELL AS AN IDOL?


YES,
I DO.

IN THAT CASE,

I SEE.

...

YOU CAN NO LONGER GO OUT ON A DATE WITH HER LIKE YOU DID THE OTHER DAY.

SHE SAID THAT SHE WENT TO A BRAZILIAN BBQ RESTAURANT WITH YOU.

KANA-CHAN WAS BRAGGING ABOUT IT.

I helped him pick a trolley case the other day. ♪

...

IF YOU TWO DO WANT TO EAT TOGETHER SOMETIME, YOU'LL AT LEAST WANT TO RESERVE A PRIVATE ROOM.

WHEN IT HAPPENS, SHE WON'T BE ABLE TO EAT WITH A GUY IN PUBLIC ANYMORE.

BUT MORE AND MORE PEOPLE WILL START PAYING ATTENTION TO HER.

YOU CAN DO THAT NOW BECAUSE SHE'S NOT QUITE FAMOUS YET,



Magazine: Scoop, The leader of B-Komachi

...IS ENOUGH TO GIVE IDOLS FATAL WOUNDS.

ONE SCANDAL...

I SHOULD'VE BEEN MORE AWARE.

YOU'RE RIGHT.

SO A GUY WOULD NEED TO BE MIND-FUL ABOUT THAT.

ACTORS ARE A LITTLE LOOSE WHEN IT COMES TO THIS,

YES.

ARIMA IS AN IDOL.

Magazine: Spending the night with an idol

アイドルとお泊まりデート

SHE'LL BE ALL OVER THE TABLOIDS.

HER COLLEAGUES WILL LEAK AND SPREAD THE NEWS.

AND SHE'LL BE IN TROUBLE.

JUST A GLIMPSE OF A MAN IN HER LIFE,

SHE MIGHT END UP LIKE AI...

OR, WORSE,

...


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OKAY, MINORS. YOU CAN GO BACK TO THE INN NOW.
CHAPTER 77
REUNION
YEEES, I'M OVER 18 YEARS OLD.
MEM, YOU'RE AN ADULT, SO YOU'RE STAYING.
YOU'RE 18 ALREADY, RIGHT?
OKAY.
SO I'LL LEAVE RUBY TO YOU.
I'M GOING TO OBSERVE A LITTLE MORE,
OH? SURE.
I WANT AKANE ONEE-CHAN TO BE MY ROOMIE TONIGHT!

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SLEEP-OVER! ♪

YAY! SLEEP-OVER! ♪

HE CARES SO MUCH ABOUT HIS SISTER, HUH?

WATCH OUT.

SO CUTE!

OH, A CROW!

NO, NO. THAT'S JUST FOR *CHICKENS*...

THEY SAY THAT *BIRDS CAN'T SEE AT NIGHT!*

DID YOU KNOW?

FLAP

OH!

SNATCH

I WARNED YOU...

I'M GONNA GRILL AND SKEWER YOU!!

YOU SHITTY CROW!!

WAIT...!!

CAW

CAW

RUSTLE

I'M SO GONNA CATCH IT!

DAMMIT, IT SURE KNOWS HOW TO PROVOKE US!

LET'S JUST APOLOGIZE TO THE INN-KEEPER.

WE'RE GOING TO GET LOST LIKE THIS.

RUSTLE

WE OFTEN PASSED BY THIS AREA BY CAR!

NO, I MEAN...

I WAS BORN AROUND HERE!

PANIC

PANIC

I'M FAMILIAR WITH THIS AREA, MORE OR LESS!

DON'T WORRY!

OH!

HUH...?

PHEW

I-

I SEE.

YEAH, I KNOW. AQUA-KUN TOLD ME ABOUT IT.

OH.

AQUA-KUN SAID THAT HE HAD FOND MEMORIES OF THAT PLACE.

YOU WERE BORN IN THE HOSPITAL ON THE HILL, RIGHT?

YEAH.

THAT PLACE...

...IS ALSO IMPORTANT TO ME.

AKANE-CHAN, DO YOU WANT TO JOIN B-KOMACHI, TOO?

NO, THAT'S...

I'M NOT GOOD AT ANYTHING OTHER THAN MY SPECIAL-TIES.

I EVEN HAD A HARD TIME DURING THAT REALITY DATING SHOW...

HA HA HA.

WHAT ABOUT YOU? ARE YOU NOT INTERESTED IN BEING AN ACTRESS?

THE TRUTH IS...

I AM. A LITTLE.

IS THAT SO?

WELL, IF YOU DON'T MIND ME, I CAN TEACH YOU.

WHAT? I'M THRILLED!

BUT...

FIRST, I WANT TO FOCUS ON BEING AN IDOL.

I'LL PERFORM LIVE AT THE DOME SOMEDAY...

...AND EVERYONE WILL KNOW MY NAME!

THEN...

2 Ruby

Handshake event

I'VE BEEN CHEERING FOR YOU.

WELL DONE.

SQUEEZE きゅ～

...

SENSEI...

WHAT?!

AKANE-CHAN,

HOW MANY YEARS DIFFERENCE CAN YOU TOLERATE IN PARTNERSHIP?

TEE HEE.

WAIT, WHAT'S THIS ABOUT?

WHY ARE WE TALKING ABOUT LOVE INTERESTS ALL OF A SUDDEN?

WELL, THE IMPORTANT THING IS THEIR MENTAL AGE,

SO I DON'T MIND A 10-YEAR GAP OR SO...

HE'S VERY KIND!

WHAT KIND OF PERSON IS HE?

YEAH.

RUBY-CHAN, IS YOUR CRUSH SOMEONE MUCH OLDER THAN YOU?

CHEERING FOR ME.

HE WAS ALWAYS BY MY SIDE,

WHEN I WAS ALL ALONE,

HUG

I LOVE YOU, DOC!

STOP IT. I'LL GET

IF IT WASN'T FOR SENSEI,

I DON'T THINK I'D DO MY BEST TO LIVE,

AND I WOULDN'T THINK OF...

...BECOMING AN IDOL, EITHER.

HE'S THE ONE WHO GAVE ME THE REASON TO LIVE.

I UNDER-STAND.

IT'S NICE TO HAVE SOMEONE YOU LIKE.

C'

HE'S JUST A *LITTLE* OLDER THAN ME, SO IT'S OKAY, RIGHT?

RIGHT? RIGHT?

SO WHAT IF HE'S A LITTLE OLDER THAN YOU? IT DOESN'T MATTER.

...I DON'T KNOW WHERE HE IS NOW.

BUT...

I'LL HELP, TOO...

BE MORE AGGRES-SIVE!

HE DISAPPEARED FROM HIS WORKPLACE ALL OF A SUDDEN,

AND HIS WHERE-ABOUTS ARE UNKNOWN.

WHAT?!

FOR THE MOST PART, I THINK HE JUST ***GOT INTO TROUBLE WITH GIRLS*** AND ***MADE A RUN*** FOR IT.

"I LOVE YOU!" OR "MARRY ME!"

HE'D JUST EVADE IT!

NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES I SAID,

HE WAS SUCH A TEASE!

ARE YOU SURE YOU'RE OKAY WITH HIM?

SENSEI, I LOVE YOU!

MARRY ME!

SORRY, NO CAN DO,

BUT I'LL THINK ABOUT IT SERIOUSLY WHEN YOU TURN 16.

BUT IT'S OKAY.

I'VE TURNED 16.

SENSEI,

I WANT TO SEE YOU...

...AGAIN.

CAW!

...

CAW

CAW

CAW

WE'VE GOT YOU COR-NERED!

THERE'S A SPACE BEHIND THE SHRINE.

THEY MUST'VE TURNED IT INTO THEIR NEST.

CAW

CAW

CAW

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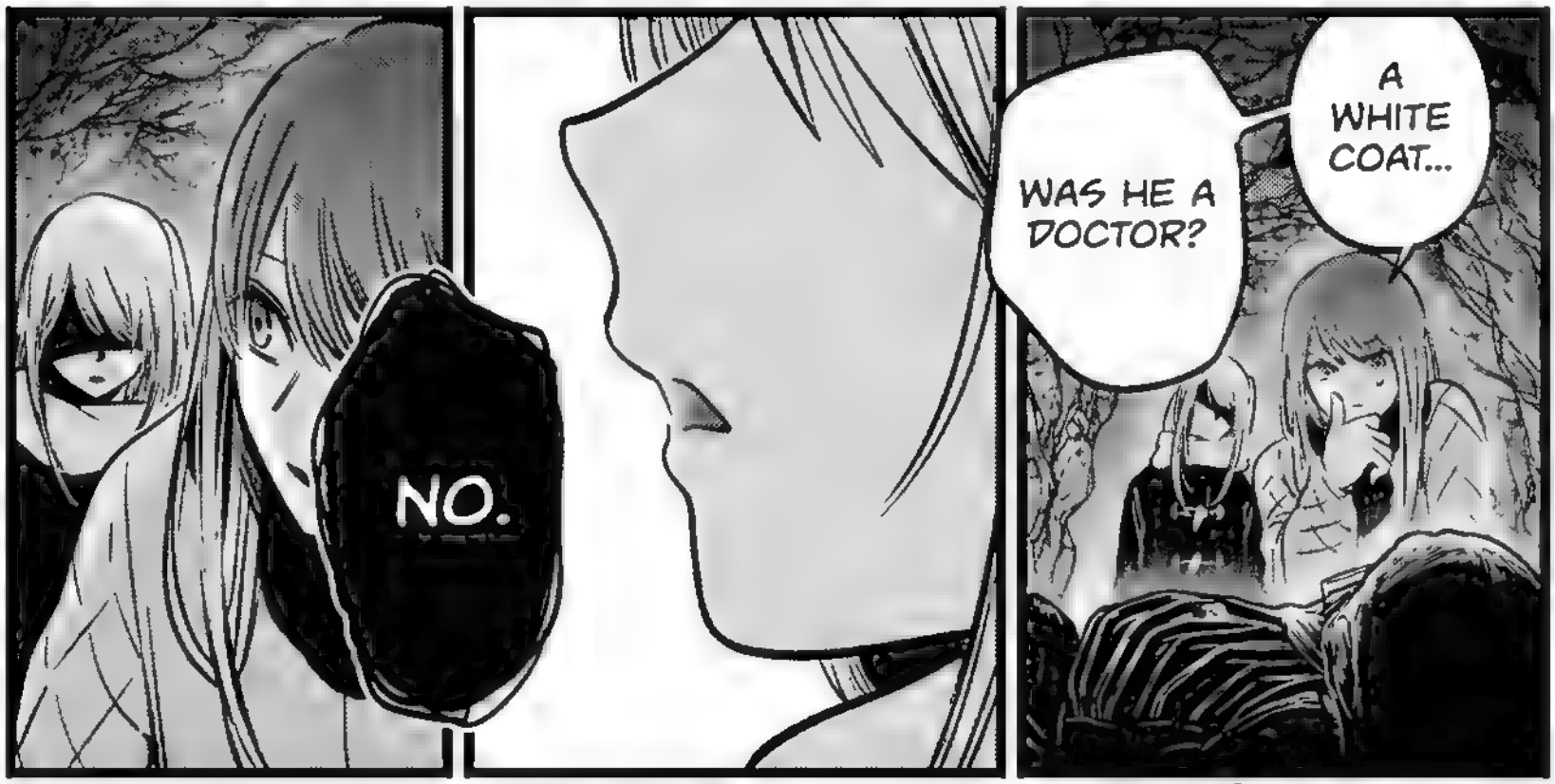
RUBY-CHAN.

GET BACK.

IT'S... A CORPSE.






NO.
WAS HE A DOCTOR?
A WHITE COAT...


SENSEI CAN'T POSSIBLY...


IT CAN'T BE.







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...GORO AMAMIYA.

KEEP OUT 立入禁止 KEEP OUT

KEEP OUT 立入禁止 KEEP

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT.

WE CAME HERE FOR FILMING, BUT THIS HAPPENED.

IT'S GETTING LATE.

RUBY, YOU DON'T LOOK TOO GOOD...

YEAH, I'LL BE FINE.

WILL YOU BE ABLE TO DO THE FILMING TOMOR-ROW?

HAVE A GOOD REST TONIGHT.

AKANE-CHAN...?

WHERE DID SHE GO?

OH, YES.

IT'S MY FAULT, ALL RIGHT.

IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT, AQUA-KUN!

I'M SORRY YOU HAD TO GO THROUGH THAT.

YOU DIDN'T WANT TO SEE IT, DID YOU?

THAT DECAYED,

GROTESQUE THING.

...

I'M SORRY.

I REALLY AM.

YOU'RE ALWAYS LIKE THAT.

TRYING TO CARRY THE BURDEN BY YOURSELF.

THAT'S JUST WRONG.

IF YOU CAN'T PROTECT ANYTHING AND EVERY-THING?

IS IT YOUR FAULT...

DO YOU THINK IT'S ALL YOUR FAULT?

THE POLICE SAID THAT...

...THE CORPSE...

...MIGHT BE A MURDER VICTIM.

HOW CAN THAT BE YOUR FAULT?

WE SHOULD BLAME THE PERSON WHO KILLED HIM INSTEAD!

WHY DO YOU HAVE TO TAKE RESPONSI-BILITY FOR THAT?

ISN'T THAT WRONG?!

YOU...

THINK?

YES, I DO!




...I ANTICI-
PATED IT.
BUT...


YOU MIGHT BE
ABLE TO FIND
THAT CORPSE.
I THOUGHT
THAT IF IT
WERE YOU,

...TO MAKE YOU FIND IT.

...GAVE YOU INFORMATION ON PURPOSE...

I...

I MEAN, IT DIDN'T HAVE TO BE FOUND.

THAT CORPSE IS IRRELEVANT TO ME NOW.

IF ANYTHING, IT WOULD'VE BEEN MORE CONVENIENT...

IF IT HAD NEVER BEEN FOUND.

BUT...

THE TRUTH IS,

I HAD ALWAYS WANTED IT...

...TO BE FOUND, AFTER ALL.

AKANE,

THANK YOU FOR FINDING IT FOR ME.

I SEE.

SO THAT'S WHO THAT PERSON WAS,

BUT I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING.

WE JUST FOUND THE CORPSE BY CHANCE.

EVEN SO,

I'M THE ONE WHO LED YOU TO IT.

I'VE ALWAYS... BEEN USING YOU, AKANE.

ABOUT MY FATHER,

THE CORPSE,

AND MANY OTHER THINGS.

I'M SORRY.

I'VE ALWAYS—

YEAH,

I KNEW.

I UNDER-STAND.

I CAN FINALLY PUT MY FEELINGS INTO WORDS.

YOU'RE KIND,

AND YOU ALWAYS TRY TO CARRY THE BURDEN BY YOURSELF.

SO I COULD HELP YOU WITH THAT FEELING OF GUILT.

AH...

WITH THIS,

I WANTED TO GET CLOSE TO YOU,

I KNOW.

BUT,

I CAN FINALLY SAY GOODBYE.

YOU'RE BETTER OFF WITHOUT ME, AREN'T YOU?

WHAT SHOULD I DO?

I FIGURED...

WE SHOULD HAVE A PROPER TALK DURING THIS TRIP.

IT'S...

...GETTING HARD, RIGHT?

HUH?

STOP.

I THOUGHT WE COULD SAY GOODBYE WITH A SMILE,

TEARS ALWAYS...

...TO CRY AT ALL.

I DIDN'T MEAN...

I DIDN'T THINK IT WOULD GO LIKE THIS.

BUT I'M SORRY.

STOP.

...!

ON THE STAGE, I CAN ALWAYS...

...RIGHT AWAY.

I SHOULD'VE TOLD YOU SOONER.

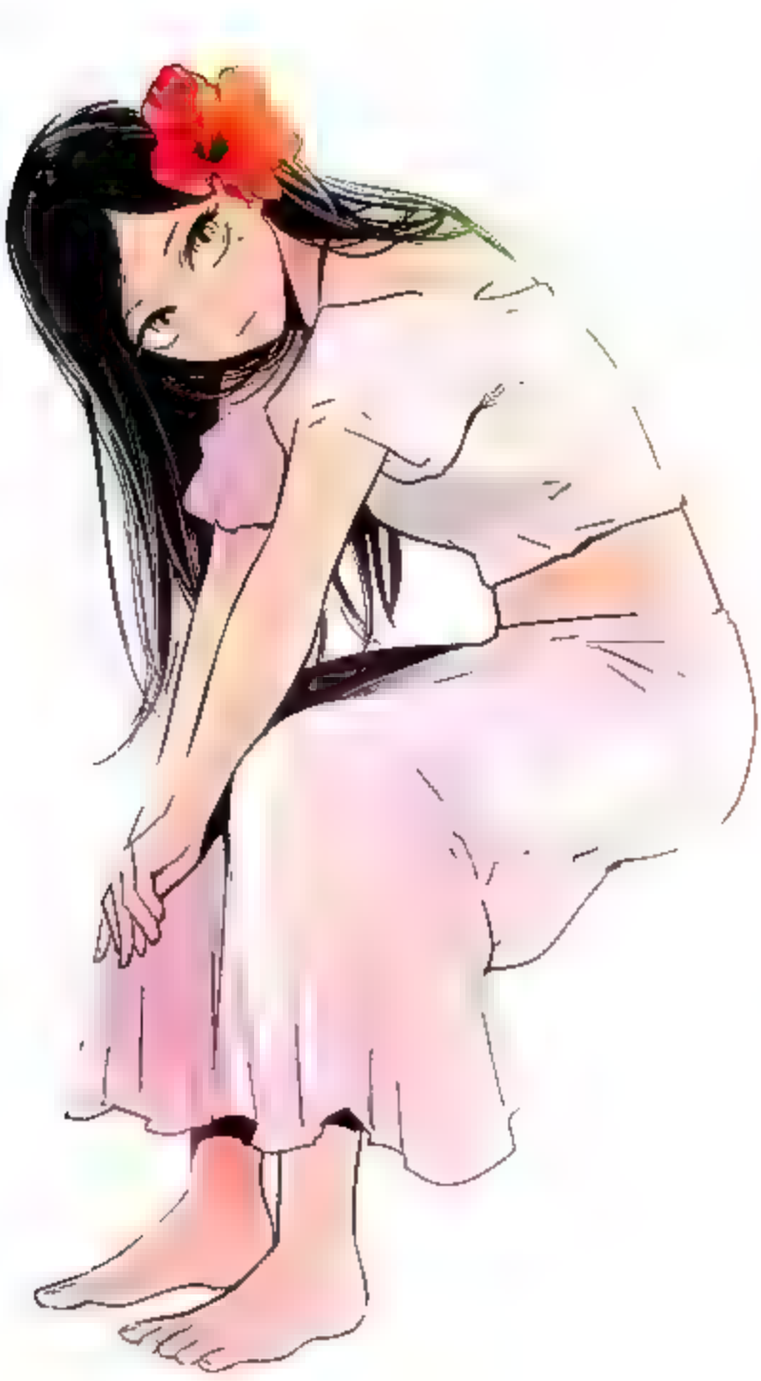
...AND THE CORPSE HAS BEEN FOUND.

I'M DONE WITH MY REVENGE...

SO,

THIS TIME,

I WANT TO PROTECT YOU, AKANE.



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CHAPTER 79
DUTY

Item: Ai will forever be my idol!!!

OH, NO, NO, NO.

THAT'S JUST WRONG.

SENSEI...

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YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE DONE THAT.

YOU TOOK THAT FROM THE CORPSE, RIGHT?

CAW

PFFT!

CAW

...

IF SO, I KNOW HOW YOU FEEL.

ONEE-CHAN, DID YOU HAVE A CLOSE RELATIONSHIP WITH THAT DOCTOR?

PLEASE, JUST LEAVE ME ALONE.

A CHILD LIKE YOU WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND.

...IN A VERY BAD MOOD RIGHT NOW.

I'M...

ARE YOU SURE YOU WANT ME TO LEAVE?

SCAAARY.

...WHAT YOU WISH TO KNOW.

I KNOW...

しだ～～ LIMP..

...A LOT OF THINGS HAPPENED LAST NIGHT, HUH?

IT SEEMS THAT...

HUH?

RUBY, SHE'S TALKING TO YOU.

IF YOU DON'T FEEL WELL, JUST GET SOME REST. DON'T HOLD BACK, OKAY?

I'M FINE.

OH, YEAH.

HA HA HA.

IT'S FREAKING COLD, BUT WE'LL HAVE TO SING AND DANCE IN OUTFITS THAT IGNORE THE SEASON.

HAAH...

I HATE FILMING FOR A MUSIC VIDEO OUTSIDE.

LOOKS LIKE WE'RE GOING TO SHOOT OUTSIDE TODAY.

THERE WAS ALSO A TIME WHEN I WAS FORCED TO RUN IN A *COAT* AND A *MUFFLER* UNDER *THE SCORCHING SUMMER SUN.*

SO THEY ASKED ME TO WEAR MY *SWIMSUIT* AND RUN ALONG THE KUJUKURI BEACH *IN THE MIDDLE OF WINTER.*

IN THE PAST, THIS ONE JOB I WORKED WANTED TO SHOOT SUMMER SCENES, EVEN THOUGH THEY WERE FILMING IN THE WINTER,

ACTORS ARE MANUAL LABORERS, AFTER ALL.



Warm me up...

RUB

RUB

SPLASH

TOWEL!
TOWEL!
TOWEL!

SPLASH

SPLASH

HMM.

THIS GIRL IS GOOD, AFTER ALL. SHE CAN DEFINITELY BE POPULAR.

MEM IS ALSO PRETTY,

BUT SHE'S HOLDING BACK SOMEHOW,

SO SHE'S NOT STANDING OUT AT ALL.

ON THE OTHER HAND, ARIMA-CHAN IS DESPERATE TO SHOW HER CHARM.

WHETHER OR NOT IT WORKS IS A GAMBLE,

BUT IF SHE DOESN'T TAKE THE FIRST STEP, NOTHING WILL HAPPEN, EITHER.

WITHOUT THAT INITIAL STEP, EVERYTHING WILL JUST BE BURIED.

SHE'S WILLING TO DO WHATEVER IT TAKES.

I knew this would happen...!

...IS CUTE!

AND WHEN SHE DOES SOMETHING, KANA ARIMA...

Object: Pocket heater

I CAN SEE WHY SHE'S THE LEADER OF THIS GROUP.

I CAN'T WAIT TO EDIT THIS THING.

THRILLED

THRILLED

WHAT I WISH TO KNOW?

A LONG TIME AGO,

A FAMOUS IDOL GAVE BIRTH IN SECRET HERE,

AND THE DECEASED DOCTOR WAS IN CHARGE OF HER DELIVERY.

...WAS ACTUALLY THE SAME DAY THE IDOL GAVE BIRTH TO HER CHILDREN.

THE DOCTOR WENT MISSING FOR A LONG TIME,

BUT THE DAY THAT HE DISAPPEARED...

HE WENT MISSING ON SUCH AN IMPORTANT DAY.

OR RATHER, DID HE DISAPPEAR BECAUSE IT WAS AN IMPORTANT DAY?

SUSPI-CIOUS, DON'T YOU THINK?

BUT THAT'S NOT ALL.

THERE WERE TWO SUSPI-CIOUS MEN...

...WANDERING AROUND THE HOSPITAL ALL THE TIME.

ONE WAS A COLLEGE STUDENT,

AND THE OTHER WAS IN MIDDLE SCHOOL, MORE OR LESS.

WHAT ABOUT THE OTHER ONE?

WHO WAS ALSO A STALKER.

A CRAZY FAN...

ONE OF THEM WAS IDENTIFIED A FEW YEARS LATER.

HE WAS THE COLLEGE STUDENT WHO STABBED THE IDOL AI TO DEATH IN HER APARTMENT.

HM?

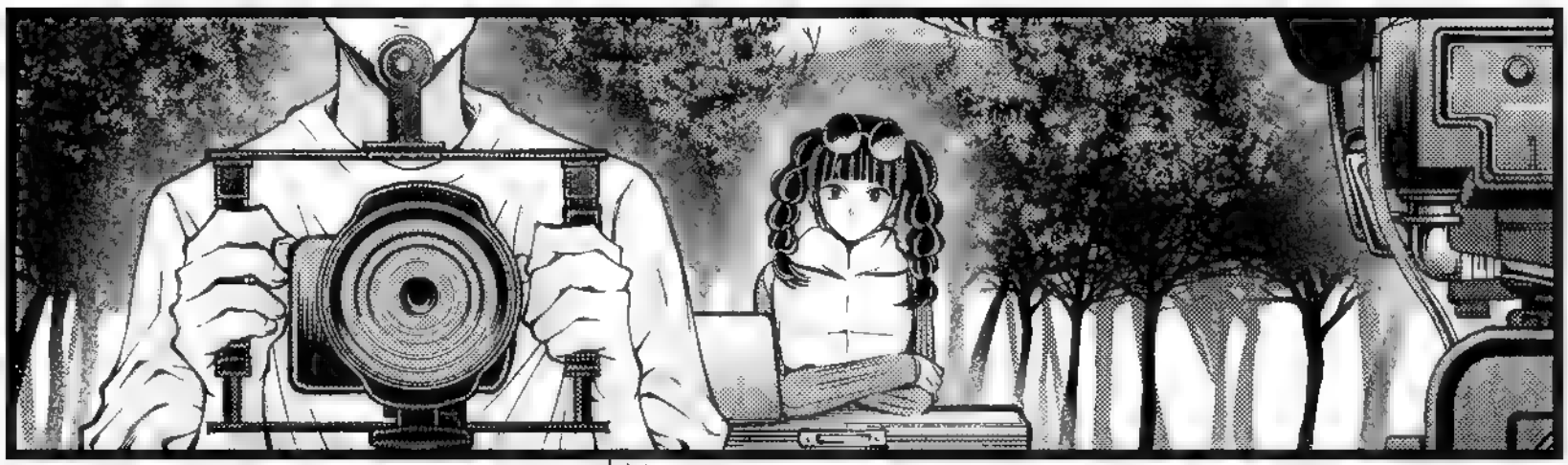
YOU SAID THERE WERE TWO SUSPICIOUS MEN, RIGHT?

IT'S *YOUR* DUTY...

TO FIND OUT, ISN'T IT?

WHO KNOWS...?



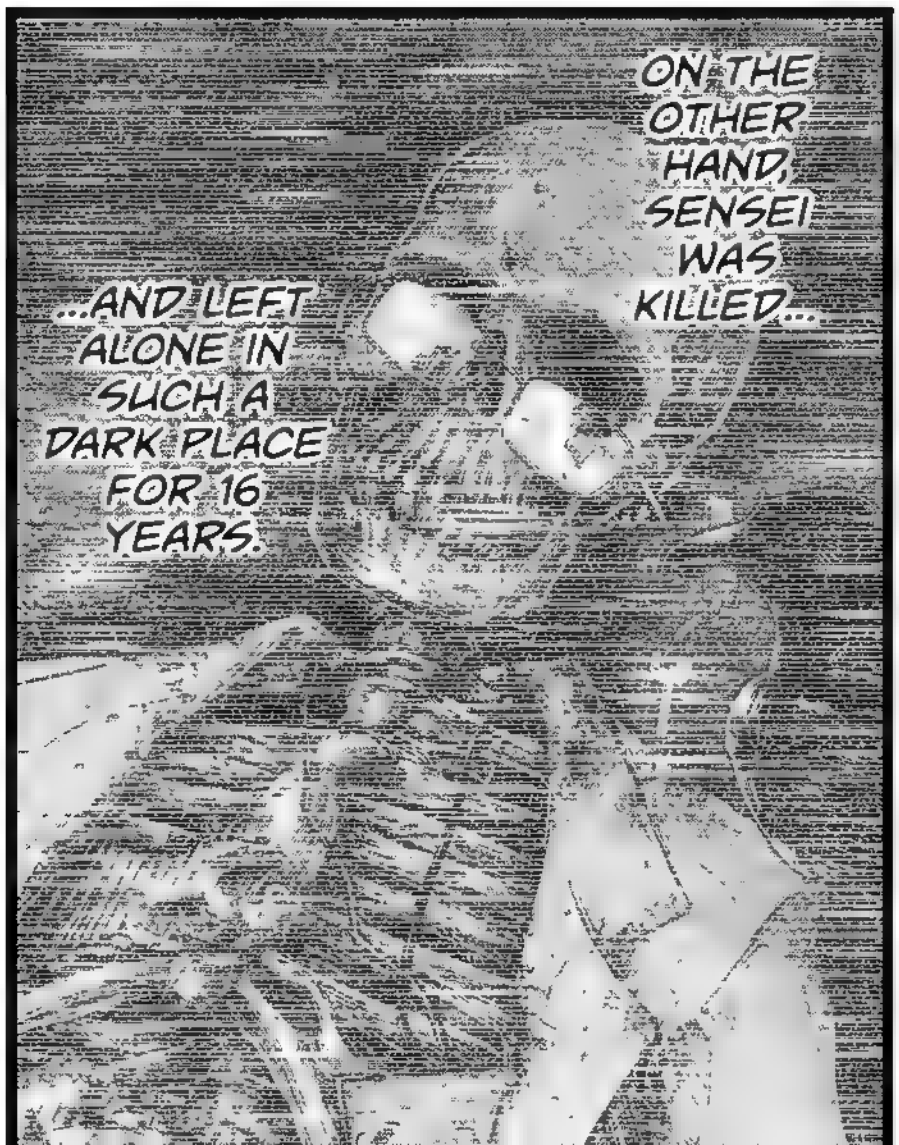



RUBY HOSHINO.
WELL, HER LOOKS ARE FAR AND AWAY THE BEST,
BUT FILMING HER IS NOT FUN.


IT'S LIKE SHE'S DOING HER IDOL WORK BY THE BOOK...
...OR IMITATING SOMEONE ELSE.




THERE WERE TWO CULPRITS.


ON THE OTHER HAND, SENSEI WAS KILLED...
...AND LEFT ALONE IN SUCH A DARK PLACE FOR 16 YEARS.


AT THE AGE OF 20, MAMA WAS ROBBED OF HER FUTURE.

BUT EVEN NOW,

ONE OF THEM IS STILL LIVING A CAREFREE LIFE.

THEY TOOK AWAY TWO PEOPLE WHO WERE IMPORTANT TO ME.

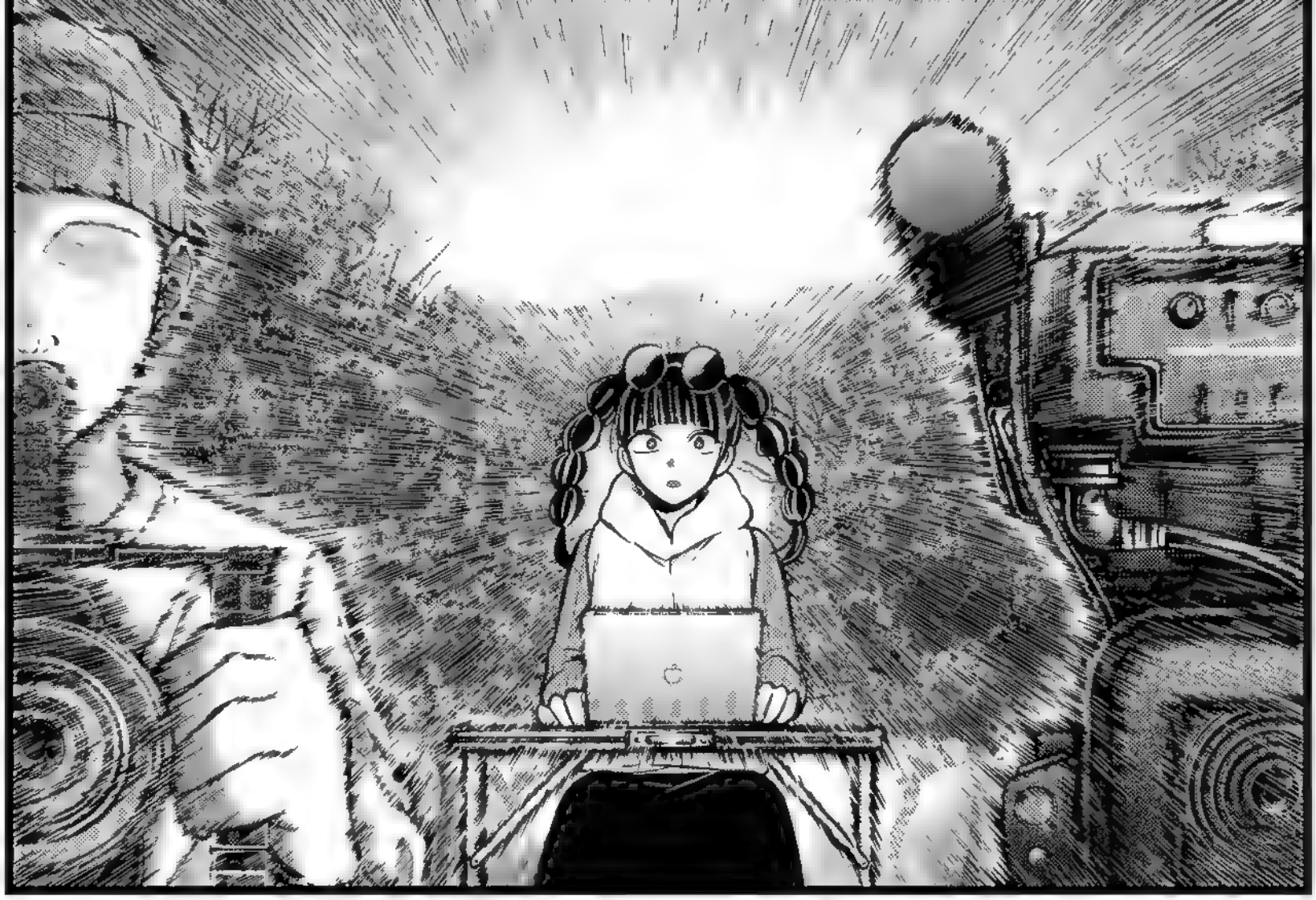
UNFORGIVABLE.

I'LL FIND HIM...

AND...

I'LL FIND HIM NO MATTER WHAT IT TAKES.

I'LL DEFINITELY KILL HIM.









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先生たちからのコメントも到着!!

赤坂アカ先生

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横槍メンゴ先生

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AKA AKASAKA X MENGO YOKOYARI

WE'RE DONE WITH FILMING!

CHAPTER 80 ..... WISH

WE DON'T HAVE A WHOLE LOT OF TIME TO ENJOY OURSELVES THEN,

BUT WE'RE FLYING OUT TOMORROW AROUND NOON...

GOOD WORK, GIRLS.

YOU CAN GO SIGHTSEEING AND ENJOY YOURSELVES NOW.

HMM, I'LL FINISH THE FIRST ONE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

WHEN WILL YOU FINISH THE MUSIC VIDEO?

RIGHT.

BUT WELL, I WANT TO AT LEAST ENJOY THE HOT SPRING.

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FOR THE OFFLINE EDITING,

I NEED TO DO THE CUTS, MAKE A ROUGH VIDEO, AND CHECK EVERYTHING.

THEN, FOR THE ONLINE EDITING,

I'LL DO THE COLOR CORRECTIONS AND ADD SOME CG AND VFX BEFORE I CAN DELIVER IT,

FOR THE SECOND MUSIC VIDEO,

CAN I TAKE MY TIME TO DO IT?

BUT IT SHOULD BE READY BY NEXT MONTH.

SURE, BUT WHY?

WELL...

I MAY BE A CREATOR IN BUSINESS,

BUT SOMETIMES, I JUST WANT TO GO BACK TO BEING AN ARTIST, YOU KNOW?

Comic Women's Room

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DAZE

HAAH...

SO MANY THINGS...

HAPPENED ON THIS TRIP...

IT WAS STRANGE AND INCOMPREHENSIBLE,

BUT...

IT SEEMS LIKE EVERYTHING IS CONNECTED BY A SINGLE LINE.

BLUB BLUB

:3 :3

BUT SIMPLY AS A MAN AND A WOMAN.

NOT BECAUSE OF THAT SHOW!

WE'RE OFFICIALLY DATING NOW?

DOES THAT MEAN THAT...

YOUR FACE IS ALL RED.

YOU MAY WANT TO GET OUT BEFORE YOU FEEL DIZZY.

YEAH, MAYBE I AM FEELING A LITTLE DIZZY...

SPLASH

I FEEL LIKE I WAS THINKING OF SOMETHING IMPORTANT,

BUT THEN, I SPACED OUT AND STOPPED CARING ABOUT IT ANYMORE.

I THINK IT'S OKAY FOR NOW.

WELL,

...YOU WERE GOING TO STAR IN A MOVIE NEXT.

I HEARD THAT...

THAT'S PRETTY AWESOME, YOU KNOW.

DISTRIBUTION HAS LITTLE TO DO WITH THE QUALITY OF A MOVIE.

THE MOVIE WON'T PLAY IN MANY THEATERS.

THAT'S NOT TRUE.

YOU SURE ARE POPULAR.

I'M JEALOUS.

...

JUST HOW MUCH LONGER DO YOU INTEND TO PLAY THIS DATING SHOW GAME?

AND YET, YOU TAGGED ALONG WITH US ON THIS TRIP.

THIS IS AN IMPORTANT FOR YOU.

WHETHER OR NOT YOU CAN RIDE THIS WAVE WILL DETERMINE YOUR FUTURE,

IT'S NOT A DATING SHOW ANY-MORE.

はっ GASP

...

I'LL GET OUT FIRST.

I THINK I'M STARTING TO FEEL DIZZY.

ぞわっ？… SHUDDER

SLIDE

NO WAY.

WHY DID AQUA BECOME AN ACTOR?

HEY, AKANE-CHAN.

HMM...?

I WONDER WHY?

I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT KNOW THE ANSWER?

HE'S BEEN WORKING FOR THE DIRECTOR SINCE HE WAS LITTLE...

AND CLINGING TO THIS WORLD.

THERE'S SOME-ONE HE WANTS TO MEET IN THE ENTERTAINMENT WORLD,

I THINK.

I DON'T KNOW, BUT...

WHO IS THAT PERSON?

SOMETHING LIKE THAT?

THAT'S WHY HE'S TRYING TO SELL HIMSELF SO HE CAN MEET THAT PERSON EVENTUALLY.

IT'D BE BETTER NOT TO TELL RUBY-CHAN ABOUT THIS TOO MUCH.

HE'S A TREND JUNKIE, AFTER ALL.

...HIS FAVORITE ACTOR, MAYBE?

GIVING HER THE INFORMATION NOW IS JUST GOING TO BRING TROUBLE UPON MYSELF.

I WANT AQUA-KUN TO FORGET ABOUT THE INCIDENT.

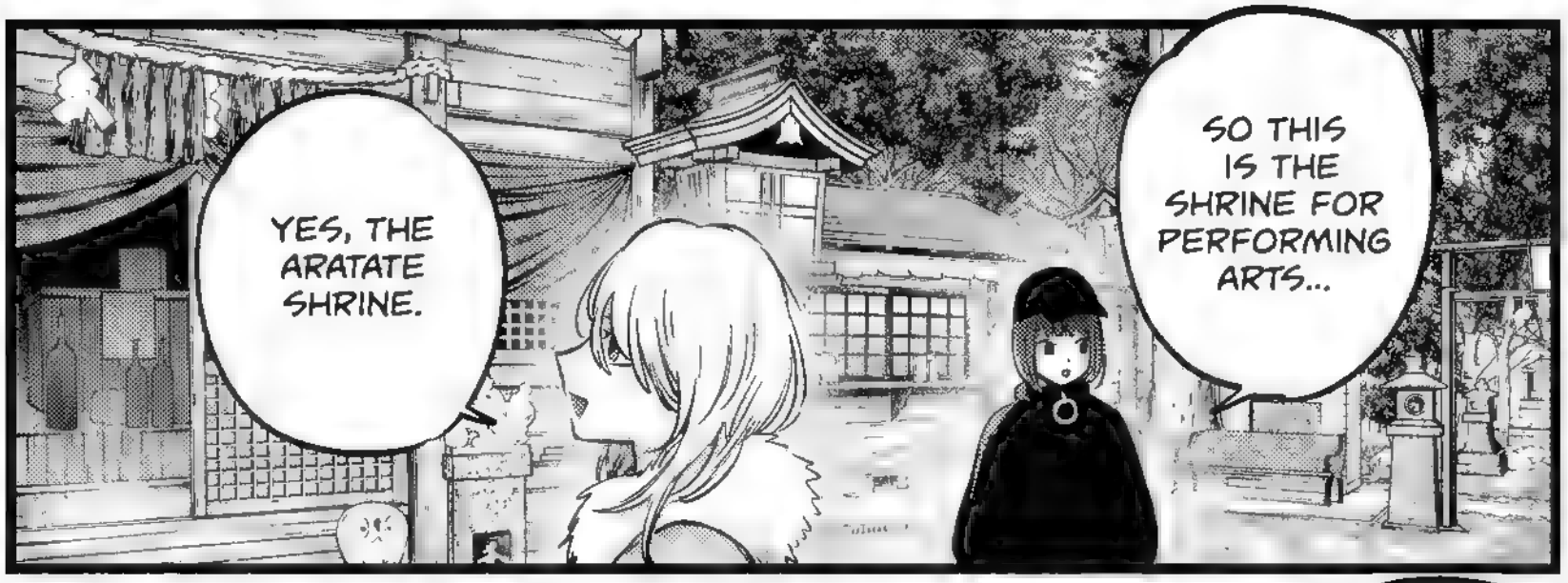
WELL, IT'S LATE ALREADY. LET'S JUST GO TO SLEEP.

I SEE.

...

YEAH, YOU'RE RIGHT.









*Ema is a wooden tablet filled out with someone's wish and hung up at a shrine.

RIGHT.

LET'S ALL MAKE A WISH WHILE WE'RE HERE.

I HOPE MY TALENTS DON'T CAUSE PROBLEMS.

I HOPE WE CAN ALL BE POPULAR.

I HOPE MY ACTING GETS BETTER.

I HOPE...

AQUA...

I HOPE WE'LL GET POPULAR SOON.

...WHO KILLED MAMA AND SENSEI SOON.

...WILL FIND THE PERSON...

WAS IT SOME-ONE'S GUID-ANCE?

DID THEIR WISHES COME TRUE?

AND IT BECAME...

A TRIGGER FOR THE NEW B-KOMACHI TO RISE IN POPU-LARITY.

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WHICHEVER IT WAS, THEIR MUSIC VIDEO RECEIVED LOTS OF ATTENTION,

HALF A YEAR PASSED BY.

RUBY AND I ARE IN OUR SECOND YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL NOW...

...WHILE AKANE AND ARIMA ARE IN THEIR THIRD YEAR.

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企画書

「15年の嘘」

IT'S THE YEAR...

...WHEN OUR CAREERS TAKE OFF BIG TIME.

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